



ARTS COUNCIL MINUTES

SPECIAL VIDEO MEETING

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Elizabeth Mitchell called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm via Zoom Online meeting.

ROLL CALL

Chair Mitchell, Vice Chair Suzanne Skone, Daniel Becker, Rachel Blum, Jonathan Harrington, and Rosemary Moore were present for the Arts Council.

Mayor Salim Nice was present.

Staff present were Ryan Daly, Sarah Bluvus, Eleanor Knight, and Raven Gillis.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

No public appearances.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

Ryan Daly, Recreation Manager, introduced Eleanor Knight as the Arts Council Liaison. Eleanor Knight, Recreation Coordinator, reported on the following items:

- Summer Celebration!
- MIVAL Community Flags Project at Mercerdale Park!
- Shakespeare in the Park
- Mostly Music in The Park
- Kirk Robinson Skate Park Dedication – Save the Date! Thursday, 7/28 at 5pm
- Aubrey Davis Park Picnic Shelter project is complete and available to rent!

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the April 20, 2022 Regular Meeting were presented.

It was moved by Becker; seconded by Harrington to:

Approve the minutes from the April 20, 2022 meeting

Passed: 6 – 0

2. Public Art Donation Proposal

Ryan Daly, Recreation Manager, and Sarah Bluvus, CIP Project Manager, introduced the Public Art Donation Proposal. Berger Partnership presented. Arts Council Members received the presentation, offered feedback and supported moving forward with the design proposal.

3. Mercer Island Arts Summit Review

Eleanor Knight presented. Arts Council received presentation and engaged in discussion.

4. Annual Arts Council Bylaws Review

Eleanor Knight presented the Arts Council Bylaws suggested edits to include Arts Council Members input, and the Arts Council Members provided consensus on the edits.

It was moved by Moore; seconded by Becker to:

Approve the Arts Council Bylaws as amended and pending the review of the City Clerk

Passed: 6 – 0

5. Arts Council Planning Schedule and Committee Update

Ryan Daly, Recreation Manager, and Sarah Bluvus, CIP Project Manager, provided the update to the Arts Council. Arts Council members received update, and:

- Provided consensus on adding a Special Meeting in September to discuss the Arts Elements on the Aubrey Davis Trail Safety Improvements 30% Design, and to receive an update on the Luther Docks 30% Design.
- Provided consensus to establishing a Public Art committee to help steward projects and bring information back to the Arts Council. Staff agreed to also include a primer on the 1% Fund during the September Special Meeting.
- Provided consensus to restart and streamline the Policy Committee and the Special Events Committee work, by dissolving the Arts Summit Committee, and to appoint Committee Chairs to oversee scheduling committee meetings and serve as a liaison between the committee, staff, and the full Arts Council. Chair Mitchell invited Arts Council Members to voice their interest in serving as Chair.
 - Moore stepped forward to serve as Policy Committee Chair.
 - Chair Mitchell stepped forward to serve as Special Events Committee Chair.

OTHER BUSINESS

The date and time of the Arts Council Special Meeting in September is to be determined. The next Arts Council Regular Meeting will take place Wednesday, October 19, at 5:30pm via Zoom.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Video Meeting adjourned at 7:54pm.